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Grand Jury in open Court, in the presence of  
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DISTRICT COURT at Seattle, Washington.

August 11, 2021  
By Ravi Subramanian, Clerk  
Deputy

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE  
WESTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON  
AT SEATTLE

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,  
Plaintiff

v.

MATTHEW RUHMANN SLATER,  
Defendant.

NO. **CR21-133 RSL**  
INDICTMENT

The Grand Jury charges that:

**COUNT 1**  
**(Threats Against a Federal Official)**

Starting on or about July 28, 2021, and continuing until on or around July 29, 2021, in King County, within the Western District of Washington, and elsewhere, MATTHEW RUHMANN SLATER did threaten to murder an official whose killing would be a crime under Title 18, United States Code, Section 1114, to wit, Victim 1, an outpatient director employed by the Department of Veterans Affairs, with intent to retaliate against Victim 1 on account of the performance of his official duties.

All in violation of Title 18, United States Code, Section 115(a)(1)(B).

**COUNT 2**  
**(Threats Against a Federal Official)**

Starting on or about July 28, 2021, and continuing until on or around July 29, 2021, in King County, within the Western District of Washington, and elsewhere, MATTHEW RUHMANN SLATER did threaten to murder an official whose killing would be a crime under Title 18, United States Code, Section 1114, to wit, Victim 2, an outpatient supervisor employed by the Department of Veterans Affairs, with intent to retaliate against Victim 2 on account of the performance of her official duties.

All in violation of Title 18, United States Code, Section 115(a)(1)(B).

**COUNT 3**  
**(Threats Against a Federal Official)**

Starting on or about July 28, 2021, and continuing until on or around July 29, 2021, in King County, within the Western District of Washington, and elsewhere, MATTHEW RUHMANN SLATER did threaten to murder an official whose killing would be a crime under Title 18, United States Code, Section 1114, to wit, Victim 3, a detective employed by the Department of Veterans Affairs, with intent to retaliate against Victim 3 on account of the performance of his official duties.

All in violation of Title 18, United States Code, Section 115(a)(1)(B).

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**COUNT 4**  
**(Interstate Threats)**

Starting on or about July 28, 2021, and continuing until on or around July 29, 2021, in King County, within the Western District of Washington, and elsewhere, MATTHEW RUHMANN SLATER did knowingly and willfully transmit in interstate and foreign commerce from Washington State to the State of New Mexico, communications, to wit, electronic messages that threatened to injure Victims 1 through 3, employees with the Department of Veterans Affairs.

All in violation of Title 18, United States Code, Section 875(c).

A TRUE BILL:

DATED: *11 Aug 2021*

(Signature of Foreperson redacted pursuant to the policy of the Judicial Conference of the United States)

FOREPERSON

  
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